

St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church
(St. George's Greek Orthodox Cathedral)
250-54 S. Eighth Street
Philadelphia
Philadelphia County
Pennsylvania

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE PENNSYLVANIA	CDUNTY PHILADELPHIA	TOWN OR VICINITY PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) ST. ANDREW'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH		HABS NO. PA-1362
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE St. George's Greek Orthodox Cathedral		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 250-254 S. Eighth Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1822-23	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) John Haviland.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This fine Greek Revival church is the work of John Haviland, who executed many other Greek Revival designs. His body was buried under the church, but was later re-interred at the Philadelphia Divinity School.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick covered with rough cast to simulate ashlar blocks.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Measures approx. 65' X 89'; two stories on raised basement.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The Ionic hexastyle portico is a copy of the Temple of Bacchus at Teos. A handsome iron fence, typical of the period, surrounds the entrance area.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Three-aisle plan with balconies. Interior entrance had two large columns, which were copies of the Temple of Minerva Polius at Athens. The original organ had a Grecian lyre on its front. Galleries were supported by columns with palm-leaf capitals.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Three-story rear Sunday school and vestry building built 1840.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Webster. Richard. Philadelphia Preserved. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1976. The Stranger's Guide in Philadelphia. (no author; published in Philadelphia 1862).		
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